09/486558

13 APR 2000

Attorney Docket No.: 5725.0555-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re National Stage of International
Application No. PCT/FR98/01591 of:

Mireille MAUBRU et al.

Serial No.: 09/486,558

PCT Filed: July 20, 1998

National Stage Entry: February 29, 2000

FOR: DYEING COMPOSITION FOR KERATIN FIBRES

)

Application No. PCT/FR98/01591 of:

Composition of the National Stage of International and provided in the National And Provided in the Nat

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: BOX PCT

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend the abstract, cancel claims 1 to 19 without prejudice or disclaimer and add new claims 20 to 47 as follows:

<u>IN THE ABSTRACT:</u>

Please delete the abstract and insert the new abstract, which is attached on a separate sheet.

LAW OFFICES
FINNEGAN, HENDERSON,
FARABOW, GARRETT,
& DUNNER, L.L.P.
1300 I STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20005
202-408-4000